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Talked at some length with William Lewis, Executive Assistant to Senator Margaret Chase Smith. Mr. Lewis detailed the CIA Senate Subcommittee structure over the last few days, carefully pointing out the reduction of the minority of the Armed Services Subcommittee from two to one after the death of Senator Bridges which apparently was aimed at excluding Senator Smith. He indicated that it was his view that Senator Saltonstall was responsible for this but indicated further that he and the Senator had discussed whether Mr. McCone had had any part in this since Senator Smith had voted against Mr. McCone's confirmation as DCI. I told Mr. Lewis that neither the Director nor anyone in CIA had had any hand in this and, on the contrary, I was sure that the Director would welcome Senator Smith's membership on the CIA Subcommittee. It was clear from the discussion that Senator Smith very much desires to be a member of the CIA Subcommittee. I suggested there could be mutual benefits if the Director and Senator Smith were to get together for a general discussion of the Agency and how Mr. McCone views the Agency role in Government. Mr. Lewis said he would pass this suggestion on to the Senator and be in contact.

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